# NIAGARA NEWS

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## *And people say college is hard!*

**Niagara College students soak up some last-minute summer time sun in the first week of school, before hitting the books and concentrating on their fall studies.** (Photo by Barrett)

# Data processing students protest

Data Processing students fear overcrowded classes are hindering the quality of their education, Elaine Murphy, second-year data processing student, says.

Data students — so far, 197 of 263 — have signed a petition protesting against conditions this year. Students want more teachers now and guidelines set for future years for proper class sizes. They feel they should not have to compete with other students to get the help they need from teachers, Elaine said.

She said that last year there were 152 second and third-year data students and four full-time instructors. This year there are 263 students, an influex of 70 students this term. Next term the 70 will be eliminated and there will be 135 new students plus two accelerated groups of about 35 students each.

One additional full-time instructor has been added to this year's staff. One data instructor is handling a student-teacher ratio of 124 to one, Elaine said.

Students feel out-of-class consultations with teachers are necessary and difficult because of the large class sizes. A waiting list was necessary in one class last year, Elaine said.

She will meet with Hans Van der Slagt, dean of business, Oct. 5. He plans to talk with instructors and chairmen and he plans to compare with other colleges to see if they are in the same position, Elaine said.

Data students are the only ones who have complained, but they are certain the problem lies in other areas of the college as well. Students are encouraged to do something in other areas, Elaine said.

# *Record enrolment for Niagara in '82*

Ontario college campuses are experiencing record enrolment with an increase of 11 per cent across the province. Niagara College has a record enrolment of 3,510 from more than 6,000 applications received this year for an 11.4 per cent increase.

Niagara College has received more applications each year. Almost all first-year programs were filled.

"The increase in enrolment is an indication that colleges are succeeding and doing a good job," John Giancarlo, dean of applied arts, said.

There is an increase of 8.5 per cent in first-year programs, and an increase of 21 per cent in second-year programs, with more students returning than projected. Enrolment in third-year programs is 14 per cent more than last year.

GIVES EDGE

Students are attending colleges mainly to give themselves an edge in the job marked, John Parrett , registrar, said. "When unemployment is high, enrolment is high."

Increase in tuition and the decreasing job placement record are having no effects on enrolment. Finding jobs would be harder for students without a college education, Mr. Parrett said.

Mr. Giancarlo said increased enrolment "could be due to the economy. Maybe the jobs just aren't out there. Get some education and job prospects may be better in a few years."

FEWER HERE

The number of foreign students at Niagara College this year is "negligible," Mr. Parrett said. There are no more than 10 foreign students registered, due to government policy. Ontario colleges must accept applicants from Ontario first, then other provinces, then students from Commonwealth countries and only then can foreign students be accepted. "By this time, the programs are usually filled," Mr. Parrett said.

The most popular programs at Niagara College are computer courses, nursing, dental assistant, and radio and television broadcasting.

Enrolment at Niagara College this year is slightly above the provincial average with an increase of 11.4 per cent.

# Festival is cancelled finances not to blame

Niagara College will no longer be able to voice patriotism through its Celebrate Canada Festival-its been cancelled.

On Sept. 23, the Board of Governors unanimously agreed to discontinue the six-year-old festival.

"It's getting to be routine and we're finding that people are losing interest," Jacqueline Robarts, college president, said. "Even the people who displayed and sold their crafts commented on the dwindling number of people."

During the past six years, staff and students have looked forward to the festival and the break in the routine it brought.

"We're hoping there's something else the students and staff would like to do," Miss Robarts said. "Right now consideration is being given to an event such as Open House."

She said co-convenors Barbara Fonfara and Fred Habermehl did a fine job in organizing the most recent festival.

"The board and I have nothing but praise for past festivals and the way they were organized. It's been quite a successful event even though it's been harder to get some people to assume responsibility to help put it on."

Finances posed no problem even though the festival lost $5,000 one year. Last year $4,000 was allotted for the event but only $1,700 was spent. "Finances were no problem," Miss Robarts said. "The problem is waning interest among the community. It was time to end it and we certainly ended it on a high note."

# Broadbent to speak Oct. 18

Ed Broadbent, federal leader of the New Democratic Party, will speak at Niagara College Oct. 18, SAC has announced.

Tony Rao, vice-president of external affairs for the Student Administrative Council (SAC), said that letters were sent to Prime Minister Trudeau, Joe Clark, leader of the opposition and to Mr. Broadbent inviting them to speak, but only Mr. Broadbent could attend.

There will be a question period after his speech and all students are welcome to attend.

Mr. Broadbent will be in the Hamilton Room at 12:10.

The speech was arranged by SAC at no cost to the students or to SAC.

# Students versus Lockers: odds are students lose

There are 2,436 lockers on campus and 3,510 students enrolled at Niagara College this year.

there is no more wall space, Jack Spittle, director of property and plant services, said. The building code requires 66 clear inches of corridor space. The few lineal feet of wall available would not accomodate additional lockers, he said.

There are a few empty lockers, but not in the right buildings, John Parrett, registrar, said. The college will never be in the position to supply enough lockers in the right buildings due to lack of physical space, he said.

Providing lockers is a service students have come to expect, Mr. Parrett said. Some colleges do not supply lockers. Other colleges charge a rental fee for lockers and control the locks.

Students may choose to share lockers and should refrain from having more than one, Mr. Spittle said.

There is no formal policy of reserving lockers for returning students, he said. The lockers must be cleaned out once a year to keep them from becoming rodent-infested.

About 500 of the students enrolled are not at the Welland campus and do not use its lockers, Mr. Parrett said.

There are about 20 new lockers in Hennepin Hall and students have Welland Vale and Jack Spittle, director of property and plant services, to thank for them.

The lockers came from the welding shops at Welland Vale and were "filty," Mr. Spittle said. They were not being used.

Three Health Sciences students per locker is not uncommon in Hennepin Hall. The new lockers received a warm welcome.

# Dental Hygiene, Fashion Arts undergoing careful scrutiny

**By DIANE UJFALUSSY**
**Staff Writer**

Niagara College's dental hygiene and fashion arts programs are being looked at critically to see if any extra costs can be cut.

The question of cost-cutting was discussed at the Sept. 23 Niagara College Board of Governors meeting.

Cost of the dental hygiene program is about $5,600 per student to operate. Fashion arts cost per student is higher than the $2,800 base rate.

There is a substantial amount the board pays per student in the dental hygiene program. Even with government grants and tuition fees, the college only collects $3,600 per dental hygiene student and the rest of the cost is left to the board.

"The dental hygiene program is the highest cost program in the college," Jacqueline Robarts, college president, said. "The cost is much higher than the amount of grant given to us. These courses are undergoing careful scrutiny to see where costs may be cut."

ONLY 17

The ministry of health rules that only 17 students can take the dental hygiene course. Cost to run the course is higher at Niagara College than at some other colleges because Niagara College does not have nearby university facilities to use, has to equip and operate its own clinic and has to bring in outside dentists.

"The department has already reduced the cost per student from $7,000 to $5,600," Miss Robarts said. "We want to be fair."

The fashion arts program has already taken cost-reducing measures. Some courses like retail math have been taken out of the program and some class hours have been reduced.

Care has been taken not to affect the core objectives of the program, an academic affairs report read to the board, stated.

To acquire a higher enrolment, it was suggested at the meeting that a recruiting campaign be introduced. "Part of the solution in cutting costs would be to persuade more students to take the course," Miss Robarts said. "Another 10 students could fit in comfortably."

# Former dean defends ILO during speech at college

By WILLIAM FREEMAN
Staff Writer

John Richard Whitehouse, former dean of the school of community education, made an eloquent defence of the International Labor Organization (ILO) and its role as a mediator between governments, employers, and workers, during his return to Niagara a fortnight ago.

Mr. Whitehouse, director of the Canadian office of the ILO, returned to the college to give a speech to area union leaders and others interested in labor studies.

Moved by ideas arising from the 41st meeting of the Canadian Association of Administrators, Mr. Whitehouse gave the small gathering what he called "a stance for labor participation" in developing countries.

Speaking as an international civil servant, he asked whether "the severe economic premises governing industrial relations in the 80s present opportunities for legislative and attitudinal change necessary to restore relationships between governments and other partners in the economy."

Economic severities may diminish the ILO's effectiveness in

developing countries while obscuring its place in industrial nations, he warned.

**TO PROMOTE ILO**

He was at Niagara to defend and promote the organization.

"Shared experience and views from an international perspective may have a bearing on the present Canadian economic condition and stimulate Canada's obligations," he said.

Canada, one of 150 member nations, is bound by ratification of 25 of the ILO's 156 conventions.

Mr. Whitehouse referred to the necessity of building up grassroot support for labor education programs — especially in Third World countries. His long association with such projects includes the development of Niagara's Institute of Labor and Labor Management.

The ILO's position as an advocate of human rights, freedom of association and collective bargaining is strengthened when it succeeds in promoting labor educational programs.

**1,000 EXPERTS**

The ILO in Canada has nearly 1,000 experts in the field and invites men and women from developing nations to study here.

Mr. Whitehouse emphasized the ILO tradition of "tripartism" where representatives from government, management, and the workplace formulate policies together.

The tripartite notion of "social partners in development" is more important than ever because "unilateral government action, in whatever field, does not of itself result in participation and action by the governed."

Although the vision often exceeds practice and the gulf between decisions made in Geneva and those carried out in member states is sometimes great, Mr. Whitehouse remains confident.

"In the final analysis achievement of peace, justice and freedom through international action and forums depends upon concrete decisions at the national level, reflecting the political will of those who have subscribed to these objectives," Mr. Whitehouse said.

# Museum in Niagara Falls opened during summer

The Toronto Power Company Generating Station, now known as the Engineerium on the Niagara Falls Parkway, opened its doors to the public for the first time as an engineering museum this summer.

The museum, which opened from July 19 to Sept. 19, was a success, Pat Menon, an English teacher, said. Mrs. Menon worked at the Engineerium as a technical writer in July and August and is a part-time consultant. Despite the lack of advertising, due to limited funds and time, the public response to the new museum was better than expected, Mrs. Menon said.

The project was sponsored by the Sanford Fleming Foundation, a charitable organization formed in 1976 to enhance the quality of engineering education. A report is being compiled to be given to various organizations in the hopes of receiving donations to keep it operational, Mrs. Menon said.

The Engineerium is depending on the co-operation of Niagara College students, Mrs. Menon said. Technology students could do research and help restore the machinery to working condition. Interior design students could make a proposal for designing the interior and practical building students could help fix up the building. It would be helpful for the students with work programs to do, Mrs. Menon said.

The Engineerium was built in 1905 by a Toronto architect E.J. Lennox, and had been in operation until 1974. It was closed because of practical and economic problems. Three times as much energy can be produced with modern facilities and much of the original mechanism is damaged by shifting limestone.

Most of the building is in its original condition and the turbines, which are embedded in a 150-foot drop in the rocks of the Falls, can still be seen through floor grates in the building.

Antique machinery and appliances belonging to the National Museum of Science and Technology were displayed. Other exhibits from the Ontario Science Centre, Ontario Hydro and Ontario Ministry of Energy were shown.

It will take a lot of work and money to get the building operational again but "it will be a real shame to pull it down," Mrs. Menon said. "It's a fantastic structure. What you can see outside is pretty, what you see inside is fabulous."


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# *Tech students built car for 6th annual fuelathon*

By KATHY STEWART
Staff Writer

Niagara College's student-built cars, the Blueknight and the Niagara II placed 12th and 14th at the sixth annual Canada Fuelathon held at the Oakville Research Centre this year.

The cars were built by second-year technology students as their technical reports. The Blueknight was designed by Al Bering, Ken Horner and Alan Munro, and the Niagara II was designed by Kevin Gallard and Tony Scolaro. The Fuelathon was held May 27.

built by either a college or university, which gets the best gas mileage, Nick Ciolfi, mechanical co-ordinator at Niagara College said. The cars were entered in the special class division. They had to be lightweight, could be of any design and no fewer than three wheels.

**WINNER WAS...**

Winner of the contest was the University of Waterloo's entry, the Waterloo Flyer, which had a gas mileage of 1,444 m.p.g., Mr. Ciolfi said. "It even beat the Shell research car which is quite an accomplishment."

Entries from St. Clair College and the University of Saskatchewan placed second and third. First prize was $2,000, second, $1,000 and third,$500. the schools can spend the prize money however they want, he said.

The Blueknight had a problem with its carburator the night of qualifying and ate up a lot of gas, Mr. Ciolfi said. It could not be fixed in time but the car ran in the competition anyway. It had a gas mileage of 255.1 m.p.g.

**PROBLEMS, PROBLEMS**

The Niagara II got 157.4 m.p.g. The car had vibration problems with the carburetor valve, and the gas leaked out.

All cars were required to go five laps around the track without any assistance. A glass bottle holding the gas was then weighed and the gas mileage determined. An average speed of 20 miles per hour was maintained.

For placing in the race, the schools received a certificate and an invitation to the next Fuelathon, Mr. Ciolfi said. "We are already planning for the next race." A lighter frame and a smaller engine will be the key changes made.

This year's teams will consist of first and second-year technology student volunteers, he said. The video-tape made by the radio and television students of the race will be used to generate interest.

# Lunch-time flicks success: SAC

Standing room only attendance has been reported by movie-goers at the double-lunch films in the Hamilton Room.

Carmen Angi, Student Administrative Council (SAC) president, says he is pleased with the popularity of the movies.

With the video screen projection unit in place, the movies cost SAC only $3 to rent.


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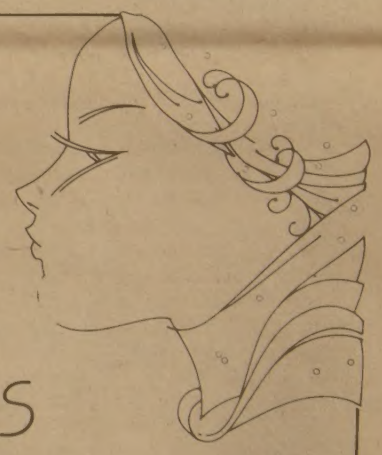

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## Computer room terminal provides needed space

A second computer terminal room was to be opened in the college by the end of September; last year all students could not be fitted into the one room.

The new terminal room will be in L13, in the Lundy building, across from the main terminal room Fifteen new terminals will be installed in the new room.

The second room had to be installed because of heavy use of terminals in one room. The room is open from 8 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. for day and evening students in computer programs. Students will benefit by the second room because there is a large number of students and limited capacity in one room.

"The first year students don't know how bad last year's situation was," John Cassidy, data processing co-ordinator, said. "The second terminal room should alleviate things. There is no physical room for students now."

The second room will help to spread assignment time for students over the term instead of cramming it in near the end, Mr. Cassidy said.

Five Graphic Image Generators and Interpreters (GIGI) will be installed in the main room as soon as video monitors have been purchased. Like the other terminals, the GIGIs will be hooked to the main computer, Digital vax, in the main room. Niagara College is one of 35 educational institutions across Canada to receive the GIGIs from Digital Equipment Corporation (DEC). Each costs about $20,000.

DEC gave them away because of their cost, in hope that other institutions will use and eventually buy their own, Mr. Cassidy said. The GIGIs are able to produce color graphics if a color monitor is used, and will allow the printer to print the image on the screen.

**Cars, cars and more cars**

**Not a parking space to be found in this sea of cars. At least not in the north-east parking lot, but is this the true story** (Photo by Barrett)

## Early payment policy succeeds quite well

By DOREEN HOOVER
Staff Writer

More than 3,200 students registered by Aug. 3 this year making Niagara College's early payment policy a success in its initial year.

With record enrolment of 3,510 students this year, 3,283 paid their tuition by Aug. 3. Students who failed to register early were charged late fees.

John L. Parrett, registrar, was "very pleased" with the success of the new policy. "It went extremely well," he said. "I anticipated more problems than we had."

Many problems associated with first-year student registration were eliminated. "It let us know well ahead of time who wouldn't be showing up, so we could contact people on waiting lists," Mr. Parrett said. With the old system, applicants on waiting lists had made other plans by the beginning of the school year. "First-year students knew if they didn't pay by Aug. 3, they could loose their place in their program," he said.

Few students had problems paying their tuition by Aug. 3. "Maybe 30 or 40 students had trouble," Mr. Parrett said. If payments could not be made by Aug. 3, "some arrangements were made."

Some students signed promissory notes until they received their Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP) grants or loans needed to pay their tuition.

"Some students were able to pay half their tuition by Aug. 3 and will pay their balance in December," Mary Petruzella, admissions officer, said. "It worked quite well, we knew the numbers who were coming ahead of time and who had paid."

Many Ontario colleges started requiring early payments three or four years ago.

Niagara College did not feel the need to change policies since in previous years, it "had the mechanisms to handle all the student applicants," Mr. Parrett said. "As the number of applicants increased, we changed over."

## *French film promotes NC*

A new French film promoting Niagara College and its bilingual programs was completed recently.

Jocelyne Briggs, publicity and liaison officer for French language services, wrote the script which centres on student life on campus such as pubs, recreational activities and other services at the college.

The film, narrated by Pierre Lavigne of CBC's Radio-Canada, will be used to promote the college in French high schools across the province.

The seven-minute film was begun last spring, eidited during the summer and finished at the beginning of September. It has not been titled, however.

"We tried to cover as many areas as we could," Mrs. Briggs said.

The film which covers three bilingual programs—early childhood education, bilingual secretary and tourism—gives a broad outlook on the Niagara peninsula and other courses at the college.

## Parking problems? Car pools sensible

By LORRAINE KRISKI
Staff Writer

If the condition of the parking lot in September foretells the future, Niagara College should offer a course in how to park between two lines.

The number of cars parked on the grass and in restricted areas seems to indicate a shortage of parking spaces. But is there really a shortage?

There are 1,329 parking spaces on campus. In September the parking lot is overcrowded, but when students make friends, when the novelty of driving one's own car wears off, and car pools seem to make sense, there is ample parking on campus, Jack Spittle, director of property and plant services, said.

To determine the correct number of parking spaces for the college, the rule of thumb is one space for every two students. More parking could be added if the money was made available by the ministry of colleges and universities, Mr. Spittle said.

**STRIPES REPAINTED**

This summer the parking stripes were repainted a brilliant shade of white "so there should be no difficulty in determining where to park," Mr. Spittle said.

The newly-painted lines seem to have escaped the notice of car owners who park diagonally to prevent their cars from being scratched or dented, using two spaces. Those who haven't mastered the art of parking between two lines find the newly-painted stripes of little use.

Niagara College is one of the few colleges with free parking. An outlay of money is necessary for mechanisms and salaries to charge for parking.

There are fewer headaches when parking is on a first-come, first-served basis, Mr. Spittle said.

A familiar sight on campus last year was a bylaw officer to the City of Welland. Five dollar parking tickets were issued to those parked in restricted areas and those taking up more than one space, which is a breach of a privilege.

**TICKETS NECESSARY**

Parking tickets are a necessary part of maintaining order on campus, Mr. Spittle said. If they were not issued, there would be "absolute chaos."

Near the pedestrian bridge there is a sight-distance triangle. For safety reasons it is a no-parking zone for cars, but can be used as a parking area for motorcycles because they do not obstruct vision, Mr. Spittle said.

Parking area A is usually 70 per cent empty, Mr. Spittle said. One must decide which is worse: excercise or a parking ticket. Bad weather makes the decision more difficult.

The Niagara College parking problem is not without solution. Economical car pools may be organized; drivers could park between lines, and parking lots should be fully utilized, including distant parking area A.

And if it rains? Mr. Spittle has modern technology to thank for that remarkable invention he uses. It is called an umbrella.

## *Honorable second place awarded to NC Interior Design student*

By DIANE UJFALUSSY
Staff Writer

A Niagara College student was awarded a second place position in a contest held by The American Society of Interior Designers.

Cathy Warcup, 22, interior design student and resident of Niagara Falls, was given an honorable second place award for designing the renovation of a home in San Francisco, California. The first place award went to a Harvard University student. This is the only time students at Niagara College have participated in the contest.

"Other colleges like Ryerson and Fanshawe have participated in the contest," Ron Gordon, interior design instructor, said. "We just now decided to give it a try, and one of our students won an outstanding second place."

Miss Warcup received her award in a ceremony held in Buffalo, N.Y. on Sept. 5. She received a certificate of achievement and a cash award.

Miss Warcup competed with 200 applicants from colleges and universities across the United States and Canada.

"I spent a month working on the project," Miss Warcup said. "It was a lot of work."

**SENT SPECIFICATIONS**

Specifications were sent to the college as to what was to be done to the building for renovation. The building which Miss Warcup was assigned to renovate was a four-storey commercial building located in a business district of San Francisco. All offices, the penthouse and the functional details, such as air-conditioning, equipment placement and electrical systems, were to be included by the students in their renovations.

"We took this on as something like a group project," Mr. Gordon said. "Any student who wished to enter could; any who didn't, didn't have to."

In her third year of interior design, Miss Warcup looks forward to a future in her field. "I really like what I'm doing. There's a lot of homework in the course, but it's well worth it."

Miss Warcup would like all the work experience she can get. After graduating, she would like to continue in her field either working in Toronto or Montreal. "There's not much opportunity in this area," Miss Warcup said. "I need work experience and a big city is where I can get it."

## Ambulance, emergency care to see more of Chandler

Students in ambulance and emergency care will see more of Rick Chandler this year.

Mr. Chandler is a full-time sessional teacher, offering an ambulance serviced course and patient care labs. He taught part-time at the college last year. This is his third year teaching.

Mr. Chandler worked for the St. Catharines Ambulance Service for 10 years. He likes working at the college because "it is a much friendlier place to work" and there is no shift work. He enjoys the people and the completely different atmosphere the college offers.

There are 51 students in ambulance and emercency care this year, about 15 more than last year.

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# EDITORIALS

## Canadians: The right to bitch

*Who prop, thou ask't, in these bad days, my mind?*

*Matthew Arnold*

Why, it is the minister responsible for national insights. A man whose lyncean intelligence has penetrated the psyche of Canadians. Jean Chretien, amongst all men, knows what clouds the minds of men and women across Canada. He alone seems to know what impedes our lightning recovery from depression.

It is bitchery. We are, apparently, a nation of bitchers. Well of course, he is rather a master himself demonstrating a fine sullen bitchiness when the Indians visited him in London during the late constitutional fete.

Ah, but that was official, caucus-sanctioned bitchery. We have no mandate to bitch, we elect others to do it for us.

But why should you complain anyway? If you're on layoff you can enlarge upon your summer activities — check out the new spinnaker on your yacht, marvel at 6 and 5, seven per cent solutions, or maybe work over the 100 per cent increase in the national deficit.
once again have provided the athletic equivelent of minimalist art.

It's marvelous, not bitchworthy.

Autumn is the season when the natural world begins its resignation, yielding to the bleakness of winter. There are others whose passing would be a wonder to behold. An omen in the best Roman tradition.

**William Freeman**

## Park and walk or pay the price

Everyone has one at the end of his right leg and one at the end of his left leg. They are known as feet; use them.

The griping about the imaginary lack of parking has begun and will continue to increase when tickets start to be handed out. Students trying to get as close to their buildings as possible are complaining there is no parking. The fact is there would be enough parking space if students would try walking a small distance to classes.

Parking area A is usually almost empty while on the other side of the campus in parking area E,cars are lined up on the lawn, their owners throwing away warning slips which will soon become tickets.

Many students are seen every morning getting out of their cars alone. Most people should be able to car pool. Besides the obvious benefits from this, such as cheaper gas and less wear and tear on one's own car, parking would be more than ample.

Double parkers are a big problem. How many times have we arrived at the college and seen two spaces with one car parked on the line or diagonally. It is infuriating.

There is one space for every two students. One must wonder why people complain with these facilities.

We can all have a good school year and avoid the annoying tickets if the age-old means of transportation—walking—is put to use. We could also learn to park and car pool.

After all, why do we have minds and tennis shoes?

**Doug Youmans**

Enrolment up 11%

## Bullpit

## Descendant of 20 s Punk rock outrages

By LOIS FERGUSON
Staff Writer

He went onstage and the audience watched, enthralled, as the wound he had slashed in his abdomen with a broken bottle b bled, then began clotting. He tore at the clot, spewing fresh pieces of tissue into the audience.

Punk rock is a descendant of Dadaism. Like Dadaism, punk started as an open protest against the highly conventional art form of the 20s, the latter railing against the commercialization of rock 'n roll and the multi-million dollar industry it became.

The most outrageous of the acts — The Contortions, The Jerks — abuse fans verbally and physically. Punk rockers almost beg to be disliked. An evening is considerfed successful if some member of the audience has been flogged verbally during the performance.

Artists deliberately set out to disrupt contemporary rock music mores. They outrage society with their appearance. There are those who dye their hair purple and one woman singer has grown the hair under her arms long enough to be braided. The least offensive do not care what they wear. Usually they wear the same outfit onstage as off.

What is happening to punk rock in the 1980s? It appears to be dying out. The punk force, so devastating and self-annihilating, could last no longer than half a decade. Yet, punk left a group of survivors — The Ramones, Patti Smith — who survived by assimilation.

Punk came, punk conquered... and finally blew itself away.

## School reps to be named

Nominations for school representatives must be in to the Student Administrative Council (SAC) by Oct. 5, Carmen Angi, SAC president, has announced.

The school reps, formerly known as division reps, will be nominated by and from the class reps and elected by the student body on Oct. 7 and 8.

First year students in each of the four schools will get one rep, second year will get one each and third year will get one each.

The reps will attend the closed SAC meetings and provide input to assist the SAC executive in making decisions, Carmen said. They will not have to vote on council but their opinions will be considered by the executive.

## Course runs 7 days

Niagara College's word processing courses have become so popular that the continuing education program has had to run them seven days a week, Candice Paris, continuing education manager, said.

With a record total of 16 different classes, word processing has become one of the hottest courses in the college, Mrs. Paris said.

"If we had the facilities we could run twice as much," she said.

Most of the students are taking the course to up-grade their skills for their job or to help with future employment, Mrs. Paris said.

"I have an outstanding group who teach the students," she said. There are eight students to a class and all have their own machines for classes.

Students must have basic keyboard skills and a minimum typing speed of 35 words per minute.

The course costs $77 and, though it's filled for the fall term, winter term registration will be held the third week in December.

## United Way rekindles emotions

By LINDA KOBRYN
Staff Writer

Mixed emotions of pain and pleasure were rekindled for me as I listened to, related to, then wrote about the problems of a few people helped by the United Way.

This year as the campaign gets underway, "60 per cent of the donating industrial division is unemployed," Fay Owen, executive director of Welland's United Way agency, said.

The experience of interviewing the people was interesting in many ways. First, came the realization that the money donated is going where it's needed. It is helping neighbors right here in Welland. The money is not sent to a big-city charity where few dollars filter back to this community due to administration costs, etc. Somehow there is pleasure in giving when you can see the result.

Another realization is that needy should not be equated with poor. Needy is a parent who needs a weekend of rest to enable them to continue coping with a retarded child. Needy is also a mother having her hospital stay shortened with a visit by the Victorian Order of Nurses. Needy can be a temporary haven for a woman and her children where they won't get another beating, (Women's Place). It can also be a stroke victim who requires temporary loan of a wheelchair, (Red Cross Loan Cupboard).

The United Way acts as a clearing house for funds donated. Organizations applying for funds must submit their books and their intentions for scrutiny by the board of the United Way. If the board accepts the application, a cheque is issued.

If everyone could feel the genuine appreciation of the people helped as I did, more people would give. Those who gave last year would give twice as much this year.

## Hort trip

First-year horticultural students leave today for their annual four-day New York field trip.

Students will visit a number of nurseries and botanical gardens in the New York City area and in the state of Pennsylvania.

Funding for the trip was raised almost entirely by the students through parties and corn roasts.

# SPECTRUM

Opinions / Lifestyle

## Handicap no hindrance, blind student triumphant

By GLORIA RIZZUTI
Staff Writer

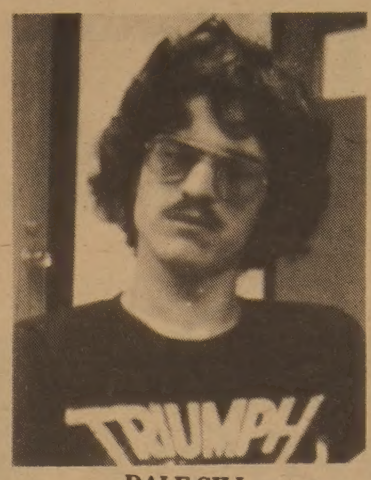
Many students pass him and may not notice him, yet he is at Niagara College every day. He might not seem different than anyone else, yet he is quite extraordinary. He has learned his way around the college in three years.

Dale Gill, a dark, curly-haired business student, is blind.

Dale, 21, from St. Catharines, is a third-year personnel management and industrial relations student who has nastagnis, a hereditary birth defect. He has two brothers who have normal vision and one sister who also has nastagnis. He is not totally blind, but has a registered 10 per cent vision. He can recongnize people fairly easily within 20 feet.

Dale had no difficulty accepting his problem. "It's not a matter of accepting it," Dale said. "I've had it since birth so it's the only way of life I know. I've had friends who had normal vision, then went blind and found they couldn't do what they normally did."

Dale's biggest difficulty in the college was reading room numbers. He does have difficulty when he writes because he cannot scan a page. He must read one page then move his head to read the next page which takes up a lot of time. HFe uses binoculars to read blackboards.




DALE GILL

"My biggest disadvantage is not being able to drive," Dale said. "It takes its toll after a while to always have someone drive you around. My basic day-to-day trauma is will I get a job after I finish school." Dale is considering university once he finishes college but is reluctant. "University is at a faster pace, but if I don't jump in immediately the money may not be there later."

Dale would like to work and take a night course once he finishes school. "That way I'll get the best of both worlds." He is apprehensive about future employers. "Will they be willing to take the risk of paying someone with a minor disability thinking their condition may worsen." He will do a work survey in January for a better understanding of what is available.

His tuition is sponsored by the Blind Organization of Ontario. He says the college is not too bad of a place but he does not socialize much. "I am basically here to work and maintain a good standing." He has to work harder at things than most people. "I resolved to put in extra and a lot more time. I don't want to look back and think what I could've done. I want to look back on what I've accomplished."

His biggest advantage over most people is learning to look at things more closely and with better perspective, he said. "I don't look at a person's physical or cosmetic appearance. I look at their personality and what they have to offer."

Dale says he has some difficuly associating with people. He makes an effort to associate but many people will not put out the effort so he does not bother much anymore. He is looking forward to working.

There was no discrimination being accepted to the college and found the people were receptive, he said. His teachers work on an individual basis with him. "The teachers are great, the best in the world," Dale said. "I draw on their experience and their knowledge." He gets help from people around the college all the time. "It's incredible. People are always willing to give me the help I need."

## Thirteen colleges devise English test

By PATRICIA BRADLEY
Staff Writer

Reliability and accuracy of tests given to students has long been the concern of those in education. First-year students in post-secondary programs at colleges in Ontario are tested each year to aid in the design of their programs.

Colleges in Ontario have used many different tests, some Canadian, some American and other designed by the colleges themselves, but all the colleges used something different, giving rise to "a question of their reliability," Dennis Malone, chairman of English and Communication arts of Niagara College, said.

This year, first-year students at about 15 of the 22 colleges in Ontario are using new, specially designed English tests to determine the language skills of new students so curricula can be designed accordingly, Mr. Malone said.

The test is a post-admission diagnostic test and will not be used to screen students for acceptance into the college. The test will be given to already accepted students only, Mr. Malone said.

**SIX-YEAR WORK**

The test took six years of work on the part of teachers from 13 colleges, including Mr. Malone, and experts in test development. It is made up of three parts: 50 multiple choice questions; and essay, and a letter writing assignment.

There is a standard marking guide for the writing, which the colleges using the test must follow, so the "evaluation of writing will be as close as possible at all colleges," Mr. Malone said.

At the end of September, four colleges, including Niagara, took part in an analysis of the test. The results will be analyzed by the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education and any weaknesses in the test will be corrected. A revised edition of the test will then be made up.

**COLLEGES PAID**

Funding for the test was provided by the colleges themselves, not the ministry of education. Use of the test "is up to the discretion of each college. They are not forced to use it, but they still must pay their share for the test whether they choose to use it or not," Mr. Malone said.

A contractor was hired to design the test, but they were assisted by a steering committee of six English chairmen from the colleges, and a development team of English teachers from seven other colleges.

**13 INVOLVED**

"We ended up with 13 separate colleges involved in the actual test development to ensure that what we ended up with would meet the needs of the colleges," Mrs. Malone said. The college teachers involved in the test design were not paid for their serices.

Since the test is not intended to compare how many students do well at one college compared to another, "it is unlikely that we will have a provincewide comparison of results," Mr. Malone said. The test is done strictly as a criterion reference test.

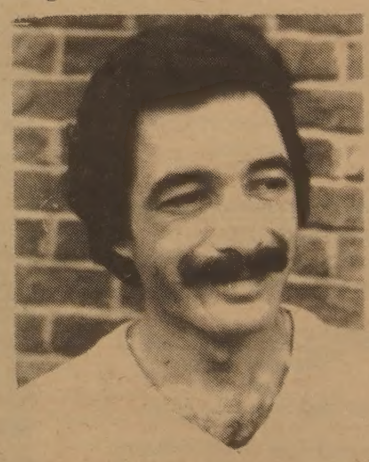
"I think it's a pretty good test at not very much money," Mr. Malone said. "It also represents a breakthrough in the co-operative nature of so many involved. It is really quite an achievement for one project."

## Roving Reporter

By DOUG TODD
and ANTHONY BARRETT
Staff Writers

**Jean Chretien, minister of energy, says Canada is a nation of complaining bitchers ignoring the good things about the country and dwelling on its economic and political troubles. What's your opinion?**

**Bob Girouard, 32, St. Catharines, second-year surveying**— It's a well known fact that these men make a lot of money. It's my feeling that he should go back to school and live like another side of society. Then he'd know why we're bitching.

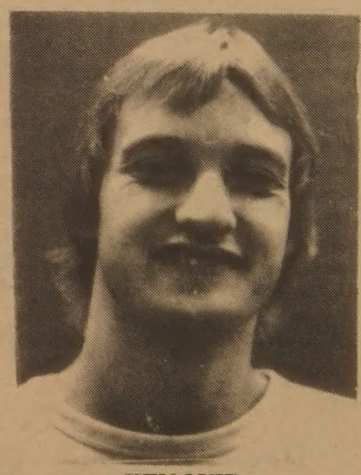


BOB GIROUARD

**Sylvia Madsen, 18, Welland, first-year early childhood education**—I agree that they're complaining, but not bitching. They have good reason to complain.

**Craig Tattersall, 19, St. Catharines, first-year law and security**—People should be complaining about the economy; it's in bad shape. If it wasn't, I wouldn't be in school.

**Ken Quit, 22, Welland, first-year business administration**— He's saying we're a country of bitchers, then Joe Clark turns around and says we're a country of builders. If we're a country of builders, why are we in such a mess I agree with Chretien. It's like doing homework, bitching won't make it go away; it just feels good to bitch.



KEN QUIT

**Ann Parrent, 18, Welland, health science preparatory**— I think our complaining is justified; I think he's a jerk. It's fine for them to talk about 6 and 5 but are they getting any pay cuts

SYLVIA MADSEN

CRAIG TATTERSALL

ANN PARRENT

## Co-op placement steady this year

Students taking co-operative education programs at Niagara College still have a good chance of finding co-op placement.

So far this year, co-op placement seems about the same as last year. "We had close to 100 per cent placement in all our programs last year," Rosemary Cawthorn, a co-op counsellor, said.

In August, Michel Turgeon, past president of the Canadian Association for Co-operative Education, said companies hit by the recession do not have enough jobs available this September for all students enrolled in the 27 institutions across Canada offering co-operative education programs.

Co-op counsellors at Niagara hope placement will remain the same this year; finding co-op placements is a co-operative effort between students and the co-op staff.

Co-op education enables students to obtain work experience in their field while going to school.

**SEVEN HERE**

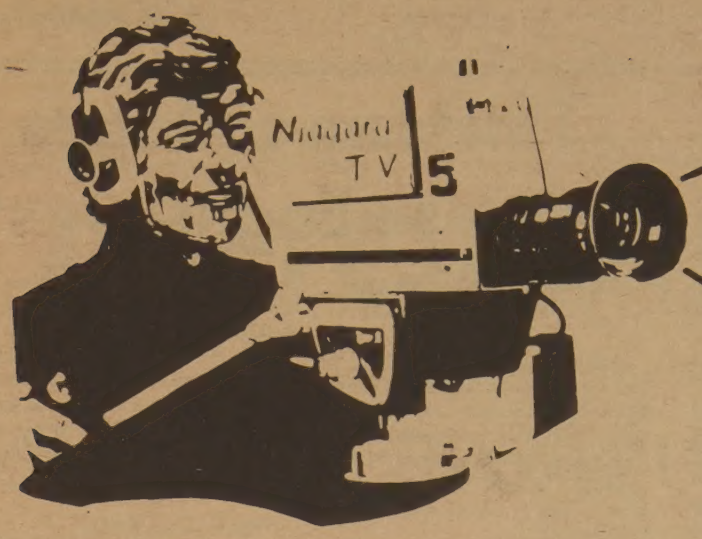
There are seven co-op programs available at the college: secretarial arts, bilingual secretary, tourism (French and English), legal assistant, retail management and industrial management. The format for each program varies and alternates work experience and academic studies. Students spend 30 to 50 per cent of their time in work experience.

The industrial management program—one of the newer co-op programs at the college—has had difficulty because of the economic situation. Wilma Puttee, co-op counsellor said, "We do however, expect the programs to carry on."

Because of the economy, "It is not going to be easy for students; they will have to work harder," Mrs. Puttee said.

An advantage of co-op students is that students can write on resumes that they have taken co-op and have experience. With the help of co-op counsellors, interviews are set up on and off campus for the students. Co-op provides an extra plus in launching their careers by providing valuable experience and contacts.

Another advantage is that students "develop independence and generally feel better about themselves and their ability to handle responsibility," Mrs. Puttee said.




# NIAGARA COLLEGE MEDIA DEPARTMENT

## CABLE TELEVISION SCHEDULE

**Program Information**

"Niagara—Its Graduates"—a series highlighting graduates of Niagara College.

"It's Your Money"—a series hosted by Willard Wright dealing with consumer rights and saving money.

"Classical European Cuisine"—a series with Chef de Cuisine Stan West (lamb, lobster, beef, duck, scampi, etc.)

**Sports**

—Hockey and Basketball—
O.C.A.A.

Jerry Salfi and Peter Rylander will provide live coverage of several men's and ladies' basketball games. (Ontario Colleges Athletic Association)

John Killip, Ed Zanetti and Dave Abraham will bring you all the excitement of the Niagara Knights as they compete in the International Hockey League.

| Date | Time | Program |
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| **Oct. 7** | 7:00 P.M. | Niagara College |
| | 7:15 P.M. | It's Your Money<br>Willard Wright with guest John Krall, pharmacist. Topic: Saving money and making best use of your pharmacist. |
| | 7:45 P.M. | College Activity Calendar |
| **Oct. 14** | 7:00 P.M. | Niagara College |
| | 7:10 P.M. | Willard Wright with guest Mary Beth Anger, Community Legal Worker. Topic: Rights of a tenant and how to fight back. |
| | 7:40 P.M. | Niagara—Its Graduates<br>Jerry Salfi interviews 2 grad- |
| **Oct. 21** | 7:00 P.M. | Niagara—Its Graduates |
| | 7:30 P.M. | Classical European Cuisine<br>Stan West prepares Lemon Meringue |
| | 7:55 P.M. | College Activity Calendar |
| **Oct. 28** | 7:00 P.M. | It's Your Money<br>Willard Wright with guest Roderick McDowell, Executive Director Community Legal Services, Niagara South. Topic: A look at the laws in Ontario that protect consumers. |
| | 7:30 P.M. | Classical European Cuisine<br>Stan West prepares Lobster Americaine. |
| **Nov. 4** | 7:00 P.M. | Niagara College |
| | 7:10 P.M. | Get a Job (4 parts)<br>Brian Green presents—The Search, The Letter, The Resume, The Interview. |
| | 7:50 P.M. | Niagara's Early Childhood Education Centre |
| **Nov. 11** | 7:00 P.M. | Niagara College Sports Report with John Killip, Ed Zanetti and Dave Abraham |

| Date | Time | Program |
|---|---|---|
| **Nov. 18** | 6:00 P.M. | Live Sports Double-Header<br>O.C.A.A. Ladies' Basketball Niagara vs. Mohawk College—Hamilton<br>Jerry Salfi and Athletic Director Peter Rylander provide live coverage from Niagara College's gymnasium in Welland. |
| | 7:30 P.M. | Niagara College Sports Report |
| | 8:00 P.M. | Live Men's Basketball<br>Niagara vs. Mohawk College, Hamilton |
| **Nov. 25** | 7:00 P.M. | Classical European Guisine<br>Chicken Galantine<br>Chicken Galantine—Decorating<br>Lobster Thermidor |
| **Dec. 5** | 9:00 A.M | International College Hockey<br>Niagara Knights<br>vs.<br>St. Bonaventure, N.Y. |
| **Dec. 9** | 6:00 P.M. | International College Hockey<br>Niagara vs. St Bonaventure, N.Y.<br>(repeat) |
| **Jan. 13, 1983** | 7:00 P.M. | Niagara College |
| | 7:10 P.M. | Niagara—Its graduates<br>Jerry Salfi interviews 3 graduates. |
| | 7:35 P.M. | Classical European Cuisine<br>Stan West prepares Crown of Lamb. |

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# CAMPUS REPORT

## Nobel winner speaks

George Wald, Nobel Prize winner for medicine, will be speaking at the United Niations banquet at the college on Saturday, Oct. 16, at 6:30 p.m.

Mr. Wald—s speech will be A Generation in Search of a Future, and is open to the public. Price of the tickets for the banquet and speech are $12 per person and are tax-deductible.

For tickets call: Welland, 732-4600 or 732-5001. In St. catharines call: 685-6098, 685-0096 or 682-1883. In Niagara Falls call 356-1088, in Port Colborne call 834-9478, and in Pelham, 892-8425.

## Unruly few hurt movies

Movies on Thursday's double lunch will be cancelled if students do not act responsibly during their viewing, Carmen Angi, president of the Student Administrative Council (SAC), said.

This decision was made after the movie Alien was shown on Sept. 16. The level of noise and "derogatory comments" prevented students from appreciating the film.

"If this problem arises again, the movie will be immediately stopped at which point those individuals causing the disturbance will be asked to leave," Carmen said.

SAC does not want to police the movies so it encourages viewers to take it upon themselves to ask the talkative students to save their comments until after the movie.

"This is supposed to be a college, and we hope that students will conduct themselves in an adult fashion when attending the movies," Carmen said.

There were no disturbances at the film, Airplane, on Sept. 23. Attendance was good.

## School spirit 'picking up'

Extensive use of the college radio station and different means of advertising are two reasons cited for excellent attendance at pubs, Carmen Angi, Student Administrative Council (SAC) president, said.

"Sold out" and "extremely profitable" were two ways Carmen described the pubs to date. "School spirit is picking up, people are enjoying themselves."

Carmen expects the popularity to continue. "Attitudes are changing and advertising has made the difference," he said.

Carmen noted in particular the excellent job done by Mark Campbell and Leanne Prodger, promotion co-ordinators. The mobile sign outside of the cafeteria and the promotional posters in the taverns around Welland have been their responsibilities.

As well as on-campus pubs, the co-ordinators have arranged pub nights at the Red Lion and 10-cent wing specials Mondays at Players 1. Half-time draws with tee-shirts and sweaters as prizes will be held at Players 1 when the football season resumes.

## Board member resigns

The Niagara College Board of Governors is now, for the time being, short one person.

At the Board of Governors meeting Sept. 23, the resignation of Gordon Sampson, Fort Erie representative, was accepted.

Mr. Sampson, a Niagara Falls resident, has been a member of the board for nearly three years.

He has accepted a position in Winnipeg with Standard Aero Ltd., an aircraft engine overhauling firm. Mr. Sampson is now employed by Fleet Industries, Fort Erie.

"We appreciate Mr. Sampson's outstanding contribution to the board," J. B. (Bud) McLaughlin, chairman of the board, said. "We will miss him."

Four or five names will be recommended by the board to the Ontario Council of Regents. The council may make a decision within a month as to who will take Mr. Sampson's place.

## Halloween pub planned

In the planning stages for the students of Welland Vale in St. Catharines is a Halloween Pub, complete with prizes for the best costumes. The pub will be open to all students and their friends.

Also on slate are a number of on-going euchre tournaments on Wednesday nights at the St. Catharines campus. All students and friends are welcome.

## *Nursing expands to three years*

This September marked the beginning of the new three-year program at the Mack Centre in St. Catharines. In previous years there were six terms of study spread over a two-year period. This year, the same six terms will be spread over a three-year period.

This will allow the students more time to assimilate the information given, said Miss Lois Miller, principal of the Mack Centre.

Also this year, the student's first clinical experiences will be in the community, doing assessments and interviews on a healthy selected family, rather than going right into a hospital. The reason is for the students to better their communication and assessment skills and techniques, Miss Miller said.

## Start Right seminars extend helping hand

Five hundred to 600 first-year students were introduced to Niagara College on Sept. 2 and 3 through orientation classes organized by the counselling department.

For the fourth year, seminars on coping with stress, writing essays and note-taking were offered. The classes "start students off thinking about important skills needed to succeed," Bette Ferguson, co-ordinator of counselling services, said. "It gets them started in college life."

Counselling has received "good verbal feedback" from students who participated in some of the Start Right orientation seminars, Mrs. Ferguson said.

The most popular seminars offered were note-taking, time management and test wiseness. Attendance was the same as last year.

"I met a lot of people who had gone to high school with me and I met a couple of students who are in my program," Andrew Riddell, first-year journalism student, said. "I am more organized now."

Hyatt, first-year business administration student, "a better idea of what to expect at college," she said. "They gave me a helping hand in preparing for the year."

"Students get to know the school and other students," Mrs. Ferguson said. "They are given useful tips to cope."


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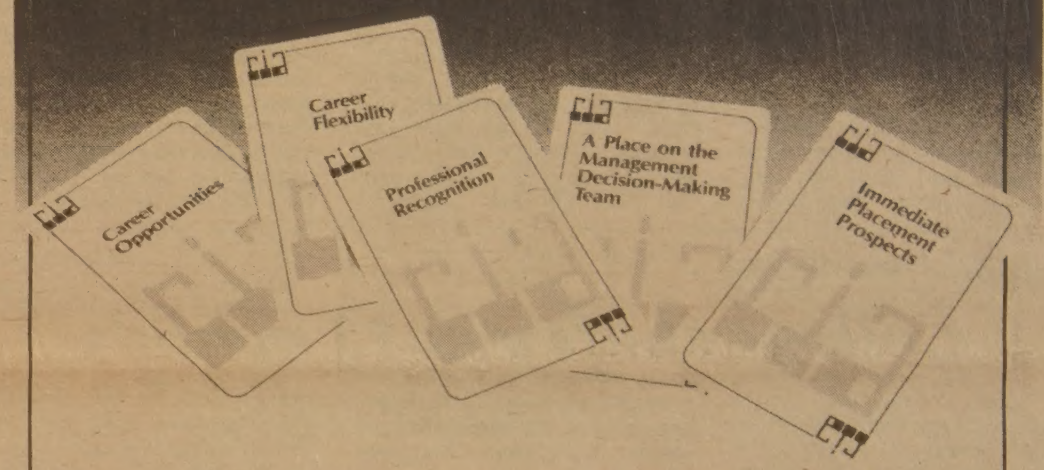


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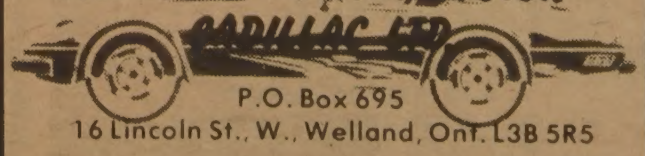

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# ENTERTAINMENT

## Blushing Brides' performance sold out to cafeteria crowd

By DIANE DEANGELO
Staff Writer

The concert was sold out, the cafeteria crowded and audience was ecstatic as the Blushing Brides sauntered onto the stage with beer in hand.

The stage came alive with flashing lights and a thunder of remarkable sound resembling the Rolling Stones. A surge of thrilled on-lookers then raced to the stage and heads began bobbing up and down to the loud, rapid beat of the music.

The lead singer, perspiration pouring down his face, leaped across the stage moving with an uncanny resemblance to Mick Jagger of the Rolling Stones. Maurice Raymond captivated the audience with his Jagger-like actions.

The Blushing Brides, a three-year-old band, performed at Niagara College's second pub night this year on Sept. 22. They played mainly Rolling Stones material with as much spunk and vigor as the Rolling Stones themselves.

Paul Martin, lead guitarist, resembling Rolling Stones' Keith Richards, was asked why they chose to imitate the Rolling Stones. He said the band decided to concentrate on one type of music.

**No, it isn't Dracula. Maurice of The Blushing Brides jokes around with his band member, James. The Blushing Brides performed in the college cafeteria Sept. 24.**

Although James Green, second guitarist, Richard Berthiaume, drummer and Martin Van Dijk, bass, did not bear any physical likeness to Stones members, their performance could fool even the most ardent of Stones fans.

The five-member band met by coincidence. Three band members played together and two others played in Montreal. They joined and started playing in areas of Ontario and the United States. Referring to the Brides' inspiration, Martin, founder, said, "We just like playing."

## *Layton's eloquence mesmerizes audience*

By VANESSA BATCULES
Staff Writer

A Sept. 21 visit to Niagara College marked the sixth in a row for one of Canada's foremost and best-known poets, Irving Layton. The white-haired Mr. Layton, who was nominated this year for a Nobel Prize for literature, a first for Canada, spoke before an audience of about 70 avid poetry fans. "Reading at Niagara College is something which I find myself looking forward to," he said.

Thanks to funding from the Student Administrative Council (SAC) which made his visit possible, Mr Layton, who is also a Governor General's Award winner, read a number of selections from some of his more than 40 books.

### *Razer-sharp*

The forceful yet eloquent speaker seemed to mesmerize his audience for more than an hour with his razor-sharp wit and controversial readings. He even sang a few bars of a song during the explanation of one of his poems, Senile My Sister Sings.

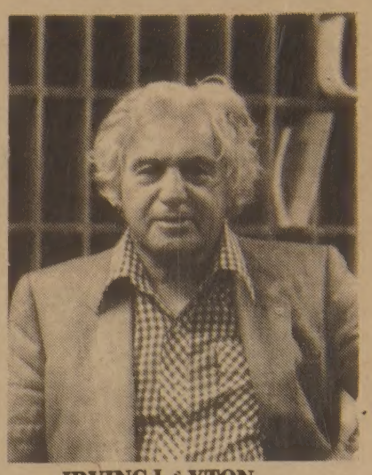
He explained, before beginning his readings, the difference between communication and communion between people. Communion, he felt, has been debased into simple communication; people are worried about who should be invited to the party, or who is going to win the next ball game. What they should be worried about is who am I? where are we going, or what is happening around us? The latter is communion, a communion with those around us, a "communion with those out there," he said.

### *Sharing*

A poet, he said, is able to share with those out there, to share his experiences with those often unseen others, through this communion. They are able to share their experiences with their readers in a very articulate way, very distinct from other styles of writing. Poets, he said, listen to an inner voice, and by writing these poems, are able to share these inner voices with their readers.

In this way he feels that "every poem is a prayer, every poem is a communion," a sharing of his voices with others in words.

As Mr Layton went on with his readings an almost reverent silence fell over those present. As his voice rose and fell, some



IRVING LAYTON

people smiled knowingly at his words while some just watched and listened, almost imperceptibly nodding in agreement to his words. The one thing that can truly be said of Mr. Layton is no matter whether a listener agrees or disagrees with the poem's message, he has nevertheless moved the listener to think about what was said.

Mr. Layton's poems ask questions of the listener or reader. He is a truly philosophical man, with his lessons revolving around human nature. Often in his readings he seems engrossed in what he calls "man's ascetic cruelty to man." He feels "man is a cruel animal," possessing a certain joy in subjecting others to cruelty, and citing examples from historical facts about man's inhumanity to man.

And with an easy stance and hand in pocket, he delivered his last poem of the day, finishing to thunderous applause from his audience. Quietly, he looked around gazing out at the people over his spectacles and thanked them all for coming to see and hear him. He did this in a manner far different from the self-assured whirlwind of a few minutes before.

To those who missed Mr. Layton's readings, it is hoped that you will get the opportunity to see him at the college next year. Irving Layton: the poet, philosopher, and teacher; a man of sharp wit, humor, and an eloquent speaker and writer for the voices within, is a man who should not be missed.

*Annual Competition*

## *College chefs win 11 medals*

Niagara College Hotel Centre chefs and apprentices received 11 of a possible 34 medals at the first annual Culinary Food Competition.

The competition, held at the Niagara Falls Memorial Arena May 2, attracted 56 chefs from across the Niagara peninsula.

Stan West, co-ordinator of the apprentice cook program, received a silver and bronze medal for his decorated salmon and chicken galantine. Felix Bussmann, chef instructor of the program, received a silver and bronze medal for his creation of marzipan basket and chocolate gateau.

Six apprenticeship chefs also received awards. Gold medals were given to Ezio Diodomenico, decorated cake; Mark Hand, seafood hors d'oeuvres. Silver medals were awarded to Barry Burton; spring salmon en bellevue; Stephen Spink, chess masters' torte. Bronze medals were won by Mark Hand, Swedish pork roast; Grant MacPherson, spring catch and Paul Whissell for his breast of veal farmarelle.

**EUROPEAN JUDGES**

The competition is judged in two categories: professional and apprentice cooks. Each dish is judged by its color, degree of difficulty and its overall presentation. The competition follows international rules and the dishes are judged by international judges, usually from a European background.

The Escoffier Club and the Canadian Federation of Chefs de Cuisine sponsored the competition. After the competition all food is thrown out.

"The ministry of health will not allow us to eat or even give the food away," Mr. West said.

Niagara College is the only college in the peninsula offering the apprentice cook program. There are only four apprentice cook programs in Ontario, Mr. West said.

The apprentice cook program began last October at the college in Niagara Falls. The ministry of colleges and universities training branch sponsors the program. Each applicant must sign a three-year contract and is chosen by the ministry.

The apprentice cook applicant must have an employer sponsor from the hotel or restaurant. If the applicant is unable to find a sponsor the ministry has apprenticeship counsellors to assist in finding one.

The apprentice cooks are sent to Niagara College for a 15-week basic training program and six months to a year later for a 15-week advanced training program. The rest of the time is spent working in an employer's establishment as a salaried trainee. The apprentice receives a living allowance while attending college and tuition is paid by the ministry.

## Student Council brings poet to Niagara College

Irving Layton's Sept. 21 visit was paid for by the Student Administrative Council (SAC) this year "to appeal to a wider cross-section of the school population," Carmen Angi, SAC president, said.

The $300 fee was paid by SAC and the poet's expenses were picked up by the English department.

The intent was to appeal to those students more interested in the arts than in pubs, clubs or sports, Carmen said.

After his election in the spring, Carmen pledged to increase student participation in SAC events.

## *Courses open for parents*

School for Parents, put on by the Family Education Centre of the Niagara Region, began classes last week.

The school was formed to sponsor courses designed to improve parenting skills, but the courses are recommended to anyone who deals with children.

Taught by trained volunteers, the courses are offered three times a year, either in the morning, afternoon or evening, at a variety of locations. Free babysitting is available at some locations.

The course offers a parent communication program, a program in practical parenting, systematic training for effective parenting and a program to teach parents how to cope with teenagers.

The Family Education Centre can be reached in St. Catharines at 682-4331 and has speakers available to give more information to groups and organizations.

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## Scenic serenity

**Port Dalhousie lighthouse just before dusk looking over Lake Ontario at one of its quieter moments.** (Photo by Barrett)

# Increased pay for council

Honorariums given to Student Administrative Council (SAC) members were increased by unanimous vote at the first general meeting for the 1982-83 year.

The monthly amount paid to the SAC president will be increased to $237 from $212 and that paid to the individual council members will be increased to $145 from $120.

Increases will take effect on Oct. 1.

Carmen Angi, SAC president, explained the reason for the increase as "The majority of other colleges are being paid more than we were." The new increases still leave Niagara SAC $5 behind the other colleges, he said.

The amounts paid to the salaried members of SAC are also under review and increases are expected, Carmen said.

The promotion co-ordinator and the bookkeeper are salaried members of SAC.

Honorariums are gifts given to SAC members from the student council's budget in recognition of the hours and work they devote to SAC business.

# *Prize-winning artist brightens gallery*

**By DOREEN HOOVER and DIANE UJFALUSSY Staff Writers**

Focus and unfocus your eyes and enter Dennis Lukas' world of art at Hennepin Art Gallery, Niagara College.

Mr. Lukas, a soft-spoken man born in Hamilton in 1947, is one of Canada's leading artists. He received a diploma in painting, drawing, sculpture and design at the School for the Museum of Fine Arts, Montreal, and continued his studies in Paris.

Mr. Lukas, a tall, medium–built man, has received 11 awards worldwide dating from 1966 to 1980. He has been awarded Ontario Arts Council grants and the International Grand Prix (of painting) award from France.

Teaching in colleges and universities throughout Ontario, Quebec and New York, has been a large part of his love of art. "I don't believe in talent," Mr. Lukas said. "You can accomplish anything. If you work hard at what you love, it shows."

**BIG INFLUENCE**

The Group of Seven has been a big influence in Mr. Lukas' art. "I have been lucky to have met many artists I admire such as A. Y. Jackson of the Group of Seven."

The paintings and sculptures at the show were created in the last three years. Bright colors dominated the room. Mr. Lukas' oils have a pattern of dots on the surface of the paintings to create a dream-like quality. "The dots lead the eyes around the picture," he said. "They give it a 3D effect."

Art shows have played a large part in Mr. Lukas' career. He has had more than 80 group shows throughout Canada, United States and Europe from 1963 to 1982. "Art is for communication." Mr. Lukas said. "These things are meant to be looked at."

"I made these works to say as much as possible with the simplest means," Mr. Lukas said, as can be seen at one of his more than 30 solo shows in Canada, United States, France and Spain. His solo shows date from 1964 to 1982.

Mr. Lukas' art show previewed Sept. 10 and continued to Oct. 2. Mr. Lukas, now residing in Grimsby, operates an art studio there. He has a love of Canadian nature and it is from this love he gets his inspiration.

"Art is doing," he said. "Long live Canadian art."

# French, English music highlight French Day

About 75 French and bilingual program students, along with invited guests, met Sept. 23, to get acquainted and listen to some live music.

Among the invited guests at the informal gathering were Jules Letourneau and Roger Babin of the board of Governors; Marcel Castonguay and Annette Lemelin, of the French language advisory committee; and Gaston Gravelle of the secretarial advisory committee.

Music was provided by second year journalism student Norbert LePage and friends Daniel Beauparlant and Kim Bell. The musicians playing guitars and harmonica sang a collection of French and English songs

"We are very pleased with the outcome of this get-together and another gathering is being organized for Christmas," Jocelyne Briggs, publicity and liaison officer for French language services, said.

# Doctors give longer hours

Three doctors will be available for longer hours for college clinics this year.

Dr. G. A. Alexander and Dr. Elizabeth Johnston will be in the Health Centre all day on Tuesday and Thursday, from 9:30 a.m., and Dr.Michael Lovegrove will staff the clinic from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Friday. Dr. Johnston may be seen during the Thursday clinic for gynecological consultation.

For the convenience of both doctors and students, it is suggested that appointments be made the day before. In an emergency the doctors will see a patient without an appointment.

Marian Kerr, college nurse, advises students to have some kind of health insurance coverage. In Ontario, students are covered by their parents' plan until they reach the age of 21 or get married. Students should apply for their own numbers three months in advance.


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## *Paper, mister?*

**Tom Earle, a second-year electrical technician student, was told his car was on fire and responded to find a few more editions of the local papers in his car than he might have wanted. Fellow students had also removed the rear wheels in a practical joke designed to get a reaction from a quiet guy."** (Photo by Cronin)

# Niagara Falls campus on hold until unstable economy rallies

By CHERYL OVERHOLT
Staff Writer

A vacant lot on Dunn Street in Niagara Falls with just a sign shadowing the grass saying "Future site of Niagara College, Niagara Falls Campus," has had the people in the area puzzled for the past five years. The sign is there, but where is the building?

The city of Niagara Falls bought the land for the college five years ago. The college had agreed to pay back the money within a certain number of years. When the plan was first introduced and adopted, the financial situation of the country was not in the state it is in now. The ministry today is saying there is no money and therefore the plan to build a new campus building on the site is unforeseeable now.

"The property is being leased for 10 years," Jacqueline Robarts, president of Niagara College, said. "If at that time no building sits on the property, the property goes back to the city."

Because of decreased enrolment, many high schools are being vacated and the idea of Niagara College renovating an old high school building to meet the needs of the college, is highly probable.

Renovating and using an old high school building for a major campus would provide room for hospitality programs such as tourism, some health science programs, some programs in the arts, and maybe all the separate centres like the Theatre Centre and the Mack School of Nursing, might be located there also," Miss Robarts said.

The lot in Niagara Falls which stands empty is likely to stand empty for quite a while, unless the economy shapes up. "The probability of a new building on that site is very minimal," Miss Robarts said. "With the current economic situation in Canada, it may never happen."

# Three new teachers on technology staff

A plant engineer from General Motors (GM), a project manager for an architectual firm and an engineer for the Montreal Engineering Co., have joined the technology staff at Niagara College this year.

Starting their first full-time teaching jobs are Leo Chartrand, 25, who teaches digital electronics; Gord Goulti, 53, who teaches for the construction engineering program and Philip Scoones, 51, who teaches electronic fundamentals.

Mr. Chartrand worked at GM for two years as a plant engineer before coming to the college. Originally from Kirkland Lake, he moved to St. Catharines after graduating from Queen's University in Kingston in 1980.

His hobbies include golfing and windsurfing, when he has the time. "I also mess around with a home computer," he said. "I built it from scratch."

Facilities are good for the amount of funding available at the college, Mr. Chartrand said. "I enjoy teaching here; it was a long term goal that came my way sooner than I thought."

Mr. Goulti has been the project manager for Chapman Murray Associates for the last 17½ years. He has also taught at Niagara College for 12 years and an afternoon class once a week for nine years. He has been an adviser on the advisory committee for construction technology since the program began.

He is from North Walsham, a small rural market town in eastern England. Mr. Goulti earned a scholarship to an insti tution similar to a community college there. Because of this he is a great supporter and advocate of the community college system in Ontario, he said.

"I like to be in the company of young people, Mr. Goulti said. "I like their high spirits, candor and humor. Under the present economic situation providence has treated me very kindly in making a teaching opportunity at Niagara College possible."

Mr. Scoones worked for an engineering company, on the instrumentation of a rubber plant, Polysar, in Sarnia, before teaching at the college. He taught at Mohawk College for a short period of time and at Niagara College this summer for continuing education.

He was born in Kent England and attended university there. "I left because of the changing economic conditions in Britain 18 years ago, he said. "I was working for the military as a civilian."

Niagara College is "pretty crowded" with all the new students here, Mr. Scoones said. "If they keep this up they will need new buildings." The only problem with the large numbers of students in the classes is "I cannot spend the time I would like in helping the students individually."

## *Instructor appointed for dental*

New faculty member Susan Mathensen is working at Niagara College after graduating this year from the University of Toronto.

Teaching dental hygiene at Niagara is Miss Mathensen's first job in Ontario. After graduating from Dalhousie University School of Dental Hygiene, in Nova Scotia, Miss Mathensen went on to work in private practice there and later moved to British Columbia.

In 1980 she went to the University of Toronto for her Bachelor of Science in Dentistry (BScD). It is the only degree program in Canada for dental hygienists.

Miss Mathensen, after graduating in 1982, applied at Niagara College where a position was open in the Dental Hygiene Program.

## Costs of float exceed benefits

The benefits of Niagara College entering a float in the Grape and Wine Festival parade this year did not outweigh the costs, Carmen Angi, Student Administrative Council president, said.

Since the parade Sept. 25 was held so early in the school year, the college students had their minds on other things and could not find the time to spend on a float.

Because time and money were limited, it was thought that a high quality float could not be produced, he said.

# Sports Shorts

## *Niagara cheers Blue Jays*

Global Television cameras caught Niagara College students holding up a banner at the Toronto Blue Jays-California Angels baseball game at the Canadian National Exhibition stadium Sept. 18.

Some students were caught, by Global Television cameras, cheering for the Toronto Blue Jays although they lost by a score of 8-6. Mark Campbell, promotion co-ordinator at the college, designed the banner which read: Niagara College students salute the Toronto Blue Jays.

The Student Administrative Council (SAC) organized this early Saturday morning date. Baseball fans arrived at the college to board the bus scheduled to leave for Toronto at 10:30 a.m.

This year's first field trip was practically sold out. Sixty tickets to the game were available to Niagara students. Fifty-seven students took advantage of the opportunity and bought tickets.

The $5 included transportation from the college to the CNE stadium, home and admission for the game.

"This field trip proved to be a big success and we plan on having more in the future," Carmen Angi, SAC president said.

## *Niagara golfers in tourney*

Niagara College placed ninth in a 10-team tournament at the Georgian Golf Invitational at Georgian College in Barrie Sept. 24.

Andre Tanguay, first year technology student, scored the lowest for Niagara College. Don Krowchuk, Rick Gabel and Rob Graham, other team members, were close behind with a 90-stroke average score.

Georgian College squad Number 1 placed first with 306 total strokes. Sheridan College placed second with Mohawk following.

# College renovations over summer vacation

Niagara College has been repainted, repaired and renovated since classes ended last April.

Some of the changes are more noticeable than others. The library entrance was recarpeted; a 300-foot chain-link fence was put around some buildings at the Horticultural Centre to deter vandalism; the exterior of the Horticultural Centre was repainted as required by lease, and the registrar's office was recarpeted, Jack Spittle, director of property and plant services, said.

Less noticeable are the repainted parking stripes, the new ceiling in the Voyageur Block corridor and roof repairs.

Each year $50,000 to $60,000 is spent on roof repairs, Mr. Spittle said. Roofs are repaired on a rotating basis. This year half the Lundy building roof was repaired, and the metal roofs on the gymnasium, Hennepin Hall and the MacKenzie building were resaturated with rust-inhibiting paint.

In May the library's asbestos sprayed-on ceiling was coated, under a directive from the ministry of colleges and universities. The air was tested and there were no problems, Mr. Spittle said.

the School of Business Administration section was modified, the theatre classroom area was repainted and a new sidewalk was put in at Hennepin Hall.

Relocation of welding shops and expansion of the machine shop at Welland Vale is almost complete, Mr. Spittle said.

Repairs to classroom chairs totalled $2,500.

# RTV students make live parade broadcast

By ANTHONY BARRETT
Staff Writer

One minute before air time the three camera men make their last minute adjustments and the two hosts of the 90-minute program — Brian Hostick and Shiona Thompson — stare into the camera for the final countdown.

Ten seconds before live television, this crack production crew waits impatiently, as a runner would wait in position for the shot of a starter pistol.

Five seconds to go, and Brian and Shiona take that last second deep breath. Their faces show a nervous confidence, the confidence of true professionalism.

"Welcome to this year's Niagara Grape and Wine Festival parade." With these words, for the next hour and a half on Sept. 25, the Niagara College radio and television students are on the air broadcasting the parade live. In the years that Niagara students have covered the parade, this is their first live performance. This year's story starts long before the 10 a.m. broadcast.

It's a few minutes before 7 a.m. Producer Mark Ross is trying to get things organized in the rain. A small army of first and second year RTV students quickly arrive on the scene and start unloading the equipment. Their spirits are high and it seems they hardly notice it's raining.

Within an hour, Church Street in St. Catharines in front of the Post Office transforms into a television set and director Jamie Saunders puts the production crew through its paces.

Still two hours before the parade, people are beginning to line the street decked out in rain coats and umbrellas, and carrying their lawn chairs.

Suddenly, as if on cue, the rain stopped. And exactly 10 a.m., the parade began without a hitch.

When it was all over, it had been a lond day for the college students. But they were able to look forward to breakfast at the Cat's Caboose — and satisfaction, the satisfaction of another job well done.

# SPORTS

CURLING / COACHES

So what if you have to weight your turn A second-year student shies away from the camera as she pounds down on one of the new additions to the weight room. (Photo by Ferguson)

## Curling schedule suits team members

By DIANE DeANGELO
Staff Writer

Students interested in curling will soon be able to rock onto the ice and compete through the college curling season without worrying about a disrupted study week.

Robert E. Young, curling co-ordinator, said students complained during previous years that bonspiels had been held during study week when the college was closed. This was a hassle for those students who had plans for the study week.

Many of last year's students will remain on the varsity team. Eleven new students will be trying out for the team this year. The team will be chosen in December for intercollegiate play-offs held in March. Niagara College will compete in a division with Mohawk, Fanshawe, St. Clair and Lambton Colleges.

The curling team at Niagara College requires initiation fees. The Port Colborne Club, $15; Welland Club, $25; Niagara Falls Club, $25 and the St. Catharines Club, $30. These fees represent approximately 40 per cent of a student membership fee and Ontario Curling Association fees. The student fee is usually 50 to 75 per cent lower than regular club fees. Mr. Young said the curling students interested in the sport, but he assures they will be satisfied.

Niagara entered the finals for the first time last year. Not only one team made it to the finals, but three — men's, women's and the mixed team. Although they did not win, it was an honor for Niagara College's varsity curling team to enter the finals.

## Students work out on weights

At least 100 full-time Niagara College students have started working out in the school's one-year-old expanded weight room in the MacKenzie Building.

Peter Rylander, athletics co-ordinator, expanded the weight room last year by moving equipment next door to the larger games room across from the gym. One of the walls in the weight room has been lined with a 24-foot mirror to help weight-lifters and exercisers.

Two new machines were made available to students last year. They are the Dyna-row rowing machine and arm strengthening standing weight machine. The weight room may be used any time Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Tuesday and Friday 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Personal profiles

## *Coaches prepare for 82-83 season*

By LOIS FERGUSON
Staff Writer

While students rush through the MacKenzie Building towards the gym and weight room, three important men sit behind their desks answering phone calls and creating strategies in their games so Niagara College may be a success abroad. Who are these men and why are they favorites among the more athletic students?

Robert Young, 49, is the curling co-ordinator and an instructor in marketing. Having been at Niagara College for the past eight years, he thinks student participation in sports is dwindling although curling has become more popular.

"An enthusiastic group of people" is the description Mr. Young gave for the 20-member teams. He said his curling program is different from others in terms of practice periods, usually out of regular school schedule, and off-campus meetings.

"I would like to do more," Mr. Young said with twinkling eyes in reply to a question about his achievements so far. Among other interests, Mr. Young enjoys oil painting, woodwork and handicraft. He was account manager for an advertising agency on Toyota account before he came to the college, bringing 20 years' experience with him.

"I enjoy life at the college very much—both students and faculty," the husband and father of two sons said, then smiled engagingly. "All of us are lucky to be here." An excellent rapport has been established between students and faculty.

Fred Bassi, athletic assistant, would like to see the department expanded, concentration being on fitness and training for injured athletes. Mr. Bassi, who started his 13th year at the college, said the strongest teams today are men's hockey, women's and men's basketball. He thinks more skilled athletes emerge annually from varsity sports, and more students are interested in physical fitness rather than team participation.

"My dream is to see an arena on campus," the 37-year-old hockey coach said. He explained the athletic department is well-equipped, but the campus would be an ideal location for a community arena.

Mr. Bassi likes to watch TV and spend as much time as possible with his wife and two children.

"I like Taxi," he laughed. He believes an excellent team requires discipline, compatibility and hard practice. A bit of luck may be an asset, he said, but personal motivation is the key factor in a successful team.

Pete Rylander, co-ordinator of athletics recognizes a marked change in student participation in teams.

"Basically," he said, "they get away from the team concept in their 20s."

Mr. Rylander said about 200 students enrol in physical education annually, and most of them pursue individual activities rather than participate on college teams.

He has seen a dramatic increase in student population since he came to the college in 1969. He has seen many changes on campus including three new tennis courts and a fitness room. Mr. Rylander, 44, is married with two daughters. He enjoys reading, travelling and family outings.

"I'd love to have another area with raquet courts," he said. He thinks, now that the mid-70s and the fad to be "cool" and not participate in sports are behind us, society is more interested in physical fitness.

On cheerleading, Mr. Rylander was adamant. He refuses to take cheerleaders on the team buses because he thinks they do not fulfil "roles" they are supposed to.

Fitness has definitely affected society, he said.

## College looks to fill position

The School of Applied Science and Technology may soon have a new dean if most applications received for the position meet qualifications.

Fred Habermehl, dean of health sciences, is acting dean of applied science and technology. Mr. Habermehl took the position when Dr. William Stewart left the position last February. "Mr. Habermehl is doing a good job as acting dean," Jacqueline Robarts, Niagara College president, said. "But we want someone who is very strong in the field of technology."

An advertisement for the position ran in technology journals in September and will be continued until the end of October. Ads were placed in The Globe and Mail and the Toronto Star. "Hopefully, the new dean will be chosen by the end of this year," Miss Robarts said.

A selections committee was set to choose a new dean, but aside from one internal applicant, other applications did not meet total requirements. "There was not that good of a selection of applicants," Miss Robarts said. "We're trying to get the very best person we can."

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# Rain on parade? Never!

**Brian Hostick and Shiona Thompson were hosts of the 90-minute live broadcast of the Grape and Wine Festival parade in St. Catharines. Umbrellas and raincoats were much in evidence, but sharp at 10 o'clock, the rain stopped and the parade went without a hitch.**

(Photo by Barrett)

# World of computers introduced to staff

By GLORIA RIZZUTI
Staff Writer

Stop...go to...print...step... loop...let...remark...return... read...data...input.

It sounds like a foreign language but it's actually part of the BASIC computer language which more people are learning and speaking with total comprehension.

More Niagara faculty learned the new language last spring.

The programs, which took place in May and June, were open to all faculty in the college. The objective was to teach staff how to use the computers so students can be taught more effectively how to use them.

Two intermediate and beginner courses and one advanced course were offered. The programs were organized by Andy Ferguson, chairman of applied management and mathematics divisions, and David Abraham, statistics and computer mathematics co-ordinator.

Computers have finally reached everyone, Mr. Ferguson said. No one is going to escape being touched by computers and eventually people will be illiterate if they cannot use a computer.

The programs allowed faculty to taste the use of computers. They must work at it if they wish to improve, Mr. Ferguson said. All the programs basically taught the same information and there were certain fundamentals everyone had to learn. The faculty were introduced to the main computer in L14.

**ENCOURAGES IT**

Jacqueline Robarts, college president, is keen to have computer programming established in the college and has encouraged its growth, Mr. Ferguson said. "I think she would like to put Niagara College on the map in the computer sense."

"A computer is a wonderful teaching device," Mr. Ferguson said. "It never gets tired and there is no end to it. A computer is only limited to the user's imagination."

The growth of computers has been exploding for several years and every year it is increasing, Mr. Ferguson said. High schools are into the computer scene.

The programs will continue in the future if the president agrees, Mr. Ferguson said. "If she says it goes on, it goes on."

# *Card players waiting— openings still available*

Niagara's first annual euchre tournament is set to begin next week, the Student Administrative Council (SAC) has announced.

Friday Oct. 8 is the deadline for entries to be submitted to the SAC office along with the $4 per team fee.

There will be cash prizes and trophies for the winners as well as a large trophy which will bear the names of all the winners and remain in the SAC office.

The size of cash prizes will depend on the number of teams entered. Carmen Angi, SAC president, said he hopes to have 100 teams entered by Friday.

A schedule listing the teams will be posted in the SAC office and competing teams will be given 48 hours to play. Each team losing two consecutive games will be eliminated until the top four are left.

A new tournament will start in the second term.

Any disputes between teams will be settled by Leo Greco, vice-president of SAC.

Carmen said SAC is looking into the possibility of a championship match between the top players of the main and satellite campuses.

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PARTICIPACTION

# *Club names Natale NBMA president*

Rico Natale, third-year data processing student, was named president of the newly revived Niagara Business Management Association (NBMA). The organization has not operated for two years but was recently revived by Carmen Angi, Student Administrative Council (SAC) president, and Hans Van der Slagt, dean of business.

The club held its first meeting and formed its executive on Sept. 23.

The NBMA organizes social and academic activities with the academics related to the business area of the college. The first meeting was to give people an idea what the club is about, list a tentative curriculum for the year and form the executive.

A few things planned are visits to The Toronto Stock Exchange, the Ford plant in Oakville, Brights Winery, a Christmas dinner, a ski trip and guest speakers.

The NBMA would like a number of first-year students to join the club to keep it going once the seniors have left, Carmen said. The imbalance of the last NBMA is what caused the club to fold.

The cost to join is $5 with a $1 initial fee and a $4 membership fee.

Anyone interested in joining may attend the next meeting scheduled for Oct. 5. The initial fee will be due at that time. Executives for the 1982-83 NBMA and the club's plans will also be announced at the next meeting.

Executive members are: president; Rico Natale, vice-president, Debbie Campbell, second-year personnel management; finance, Jim Long, second-year finance; vice-president educational, Debbie Birney, second-year personnel management; advertising, Jacky Vandenhaak, third-year data processing; vice-president recording and correspondence, Elaine Murphy, second-year data processing; fund raising, John Nagy, second-year accounting; and advisory board chairman. Debbie Green, third-year data processing.

Administrative counsellors are Mr. Van der Slagt; Carmen Angi; Larry Cote, marketing co-ordinator, and Edward Zanetti, industrial and supervisory management co-ordinator.

The officers are looking forward to a successful year for the club and a large turnout at the next meeting.

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